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### Memorandum

To: State Director, UT-922  
Attention: Teresa Thompson, Terry Catlin

From: Field Manager, Fillmore Field Office *Brent Range*

Subject: May 2009 Competitive Oil and Gas Lease Sale Parcel Recommendations

The Fillmore Field Office (FFO) has ten (10) parcels on the list for the May 2009 oil and gas lease sale.

The attached Environmental Assessment UT-010-08-050 (*Oil & Gas Leasing in the Fillmore Field Office*) was prepared to determine if the existing NEPA analysis is adequate for the leasing of oil and gas parcels within the administrative boundaries of the FFO for the May 2009 competitive oil and gas lease sale. The recommended parcels and attached stipulations and lease notices are found in Appendix J of the EA. The following 10 parcels being considered for the May 2009 sale have been determined to be in conformance with existing Land Use Plans and the Environment Assessment, and are recommended to go forward in the lease sale.

#### **Parcels Recommended For Sale**

UT1108-001	UT1108-017
UT1108-007	UT1108-026
UT1108-009	UT1108-028
UT1108-010	UT1108-033
UT1108-011	UT1108-034

In accordance with WO IM 2002-174 the following Endangered Species Act section 7 consultation stipulation is to be added to all recommended lease parcels.

"The lease area may now or hereafter contain plants, animals or their habitats determined to be threatened, endangered, or other special status species. BLM may recommend modifications to exploration and development proposals to further its conservation and management objective to avoid BLM-approved activity that would contribute to a need to list such species or their habitat. BLM may require modifications to or disapprove proposed activity that is likely to result in jeopardy to the continued existence of a proposed or listed threatened or endangered species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of a designated or proposed critical habitat. BLM will not approve any ground-disturbing activity until it completes its obligations under applicable requirements of the Endangered Species Act as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq. including completion of any required procedure for conference or consultation."

In accordance with WOIM 2005-003 Cultural Resources and Tribal Consultation for Fluid Minerals Leasing, the cultural stipulation which states the following has been added to all offered lease parcels:

"This lease may be found to contain historic properties and/or resources protected under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), American Indian Religious Freedom Act, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, E.O. 13007, or other statutes and executive orders. The BLM will not approve any ground disturbing activities that may affect any such properties or resources until it completes its obligations under applicable requirements of the NHPA and other authorities. The BLM may require modification to exploration or development proposals to protect such properties, or disapprove any activity that is likely to result in adverse effects that cannot be successfully avoided, minimized or mitigated."